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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: MAQARIN DAM CONSULTATIONS - ISRAELI'S MEETING WITH HARZA

REF: TEL AVIV 3800

1. DURING COURSE OF MEETING WITH OMAR ABDULLAH, PRESIDENT, JORDAN VALLEY AUTHORITY, ON MAY 31, TAUBENBLATT CONVEYED ISRAELI'S REQUEST OF MAY 25 JERUSALEM MEETING THAT THEY BE PERMITTED TO MEET WITH HARZA TO SEEK CLARIFICATION ON ASPECTS OF FEASIBILITY STUDY AND TO PROVIDE SUGGESTIONS ON TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF STUDY.

2. OMAR ABDULLAH AGREED THAT SUCH A MEETING WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND THAT HE WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR APPRO- PRIATE HARZA OFFICIAL TO MEET WITH Y. VARDI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL, ISRAELI WATER PLANNING COMMISSION (TAHAL) ON OR ABOUT JUNE 7, WHEN VARDI WILL BE VISITING CHICAGO (AFTER STAY IN NEW YORK FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK STARTING JUNE 1). ABDULLAH ARRIVING WASHINGTON JUNE 5
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AND WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR HARZA/VARDI MEETING THAT DAY.

3. FOR AID/W-NE/CD - ABDULLAH WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH LUSTIG ON JUNE 6, AFTER FIRING UP MEETING WITH HARZA AND SUCH INFORMATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO VARDI PER PARA 4 BELOW.

4. FOR TEL AVIV - REQUEST EMBASSY MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH MOSHE ALON, MFA, TO CONTACT VARDI IN NEW YORK TO APPRISE HIM OF SUCH A MEETING. VARDI SHOULD CALL LUSTIG, NE/CD (PHONE 202-632-9134) TO OBTAIN DETAILS OF TIME AND PLACE OF HARZA MEETING.

5. ADVISE WHEN DATE OF MEETING FIXED.

6. SEPTTEL WILL REPORT ON OTHER ASPECTS OF MEETING WITH ABDULLAH.

7. BELIEVE ALL PARTIES DESIRE US EXERT MAXIMUM EFFORT TO AVOID PUBLICITY. THEREFORE, RECOMMEND STRONGLY THIS AND ANY UTURE CABLES ON HARZA-ISRAELI MEETINGS BE CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL/EXDIS.
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